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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: (PRESIDENT GERALD FORD)(KISSINGER,HENRY A.)
SUBJ: REUTERS PARTICIPATION IN U.S. PRESS PARTY TO VLADIVOSTOK

REF: STATE 253549

1. I HAVE DISCUSSED QUESTION OF VISA FOR LARS ERIC NELSON OF REUTERS WITH KORNIYENKO, CHIEF OF USA DIVISION IN FOREIGN MINISTRY. KORNIYENKO DID NOT SEEM FAMILIAR WITH MATTER BUT INDICATED THAT SOVIETS WOULD HAVE PROBLEM ISSUING VISA TO REPRESENTATIVE OF THIRD-COUNTRY PRESS AGENCY. HE WAS RE-LUCTANT TO ACCEPT ARGUMENT THAT REUTERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DOMESTIC AGENCY AND SEEMED TO HAVE IN MIND PROBLEM SOVIETS WOULD FACE IN FENDING OFF REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER THIRD COUNTRY AGENCIES IF REUTERS ADMITTED.

2. DESPITE THE RESERVATIONS HE EXPRESSED, KORNIYENKO DID NOT ISSUE FLAT REFUSAL REGARDING NELSON VISA AND SUGGESTED THAT WE PURSUE THE MATTER FURTHER WITH THE MFA PRESS DEPARTMENT. WILL ADVISE YOU OF RESULTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
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